

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

July 29, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Office of the Speaker
H-232, U.S. Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi:

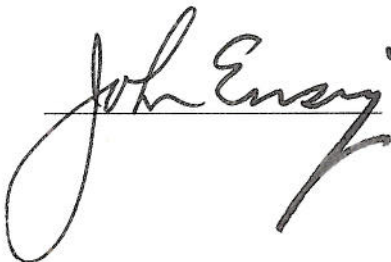
As you are aware, the House will soon consider legislation to provide emergency funding for our nation's transportation infrastructure, the Unemployment Trust Fund, and the Federal Housing Administration. We write to express our support for a funding bill that responsibly ensures that shortfall states can continue to borrow from the Federal Unemployment Trust Fund.

Our nation's families are struggling with high levels of unemployment during this serious economic downturn. And with the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office projecting deficits growing to more than \$1 trillion this year, every dollar that the federal government spends must come from either higher taxes on hard-working families and small businesses or debt that is passed on to our children and grandchildren. Both of these options are neither fair nor acceptable to American families and our future generations.

We believe that there is a common-sense solution to address the funding shortfall in the Unemployment Trust Fund. Specifically, any legislation passed by the House that contains funding for the Unemployment Trust Fund should be offset with a reduction in unspent American Recovery Reinvestment Act funds.

Before the House adjourns for the August recess, we strongly urge you to implement this responsible solution to ensure that states can meet their obligations to struggling families and make certain that we do not tax ourselves off the path of economic recovery.

Sincerely,

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